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COUNTRY USSR (Chelyabinsk Oblast)

SUBJECT Elektrolit Electro-Technical Works
at Chelyabinsk

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History

- The works was built and in use some years before World War II.

Type of Product

- The works produced complete equipment for electrical installations of all kinds, wet and dry batteries, storage batteries, transformers (large ones for overhead transmission, small ones for various purposes, and some for telephone equipment), various small parts.

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Labor

- Approximately 2,000 workers were employed, consisting of forced laborers (including women), German PWs, and a few non-Russian Europeans. Work was performed in two shifts, 1,000 workers per shift.

Machinery

- Conveyor belts were used.

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Security

- The works is surrounded by a wall about 2m high. On the south side there is a watchtower. Factory guards are in civilian dress, but all wear peaked caps of the same kind with a badge bearing some Russian letters. Passes were controlled at the entrance. Guards with dogs patrolled the factory during the hours of darkness.

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